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AFRO-AMERICAN COUNCIL TO MEET IN SOUTHLAND.

THE RACE QUESTION NATIONAL

The Springfield Riot.—Must Look to Christian Church for Justice. Rev. J. E. Ford.—Tillman to Hold Up Confirmation of W. T. Vernon,

Staff Correspondence.

After mature deliberation the National Afro-American Council has decided to hold its next annual session at Charlotte, North Carolina—in the heart of the Southland. The step is rather a courageous one to take at this time, when public feeling is so intense upon all questions growing out of the Negro's insistence upon the full possession of his manhood rights, as guaranteed by the federal constitution. Nevertheless, there is a general feeling that the innovation is a safe one all things considered. The people have confidence in the wisdom and discretion of the men at the head of the Council, and they are satisfied that in carrying so important and highly significant a convention below the Mason's and Dixon's line—into "the enemy's country as it were—they know exactly what they are doing. The meetings will begin 8th day of August and continue the 11th, with Bishop Alexander Walters in the chair. Under the rule, pastors of chaurches, presidents of colleges, editors of newspapers, heads of fraternal orders or societies of any kind, public workers or any interested friend who pays the annual assessment of $3.00 are eligible to seats as delegates. By this method the body is restricted to really representative men and women, even if there are no regularly organized local leagues from which to elect delegates. A number of vital topics are up for discussion and it is well that the officers have determined ta take plenty of time to thresh out the situation thoroughly, so as to reach conclusions that shall be free from hot-headed haste, and escape the evil conse quences that too frequently come from half baked-legislation. The citizens of Charlotte, both white and colored, authorized Bishop C. W. Clinton to extend a cordial invitation to the Council to be their guest and to promise in their name the most generous hospitality that any community could possibly offer. During the sitting of the convention the delegates will be under no expense whatsoever for board or lodging and the hall, music, banquet and social features will all be provided for by the local committee apart from the usual drain upon the resources of the national organization. Charlotte is one of the most progressive cities in the entire South and the whites are quick to recognize the sterling qualities of their able, thrifty and law-abiding colored neighbors who have, in season and out of season, stood shoulder to shoulder with them for the moral common home.

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The nation is to be congratulated that in spite of the incendiary mouthings of the Tillmans, Vardamans and Dixons, and the terrible uprising of the mob, a spot can be found in the Southland where the intelligent Negor can stand up like a man and a citizen and plead his cause with the plainness of language and vigor of expression, without fear of life or limb. In Charlotte, we are informed, freedom of speech is as scrupulously respected as anywhere under the sun, and some of her best Caucasians are reported to have said that such a convention of patriotic Negroes is likely to accomplish more genuine good for the masses by casting its lot with them than by going to any far away northern city—for the reason that the South is jealous of outside interference with what they regard as their peculiar perogeratives in handling the race problem. Southerners are prone to deal more sympathetically with their black brethren when our appeal is made at their very doors, with a tacit recognition of their honor and sence of decency, than when we assume that the South is our natural enemy, and we go off to seek aid at the hands of a North which they hate as bitterly as the devil hates holy water. Let our men speak with the temperance and sanity that should characterize a deliberative assembly in any section of the land, and we are promised at Charlotte as cordial a reception and a far more attentive hearing than we would be apt to get in Boston, New York or Chicago.

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As most of us know, within the borders of this historic town are the elegant homes of Bishops G. W. Clinton and T. H. Lomax, and they have as neighbors some of the most enterprising colored people to be found between the oceans. The massive plant of the A. M. E. Zion Publishing House is also there, and connected with it as editors, managers, clerks, printers, mechanics and helpers of various kinds are men and women who are indeed the salt of the earth. Not far away, at Salisbury, is situated Livingston College, where the spirit of the immortal Price still lingers with all the sweetening and inspiring influence it was wont to exert in other days. These and a thousand other attractions tend to convince the conservative mind that the Executive Committee of the Council has chosen wisely in going to Charlotte in August, and that its judgment will be enthusiastincally ratified by the race, both North and South. Visitors will come from every point, joining hands for the protection and elevation of the whole people, with no misgivings as to the outcome of such a conference. It will be remembered that this is not the first time the Council has "invaded" the South. In 1903 the body met at Louisville, where bourbonism is so thick that it can be cut with a knife, and at no place north of the Ohio or Potomac rivers were the delegates more hospitably treated, and the the press gave very acceptable reports of the proceedings. The race convention a few days ago at Macon, Ga., got off without trouble, notwithstanding the fact that some pretty stiff things were said concerning the South and its lawless proclivities. Aside from the garbling of Bishop Turner's caloric speech touching the American flag the press gave the body a more considerate hearing than many would expect in the midst of a vindictive gubernatorial campaign, in which the Negro problem is the burning issue. At Charlotte the leaders of the Council will stand on their own feet, bearing in mind the admonition of the poet:

"By thine own soul's law learn to live,
And if men thwart thee take no heed,
And if men hate thee take no care;
Sing thou thy song and do thy deed."

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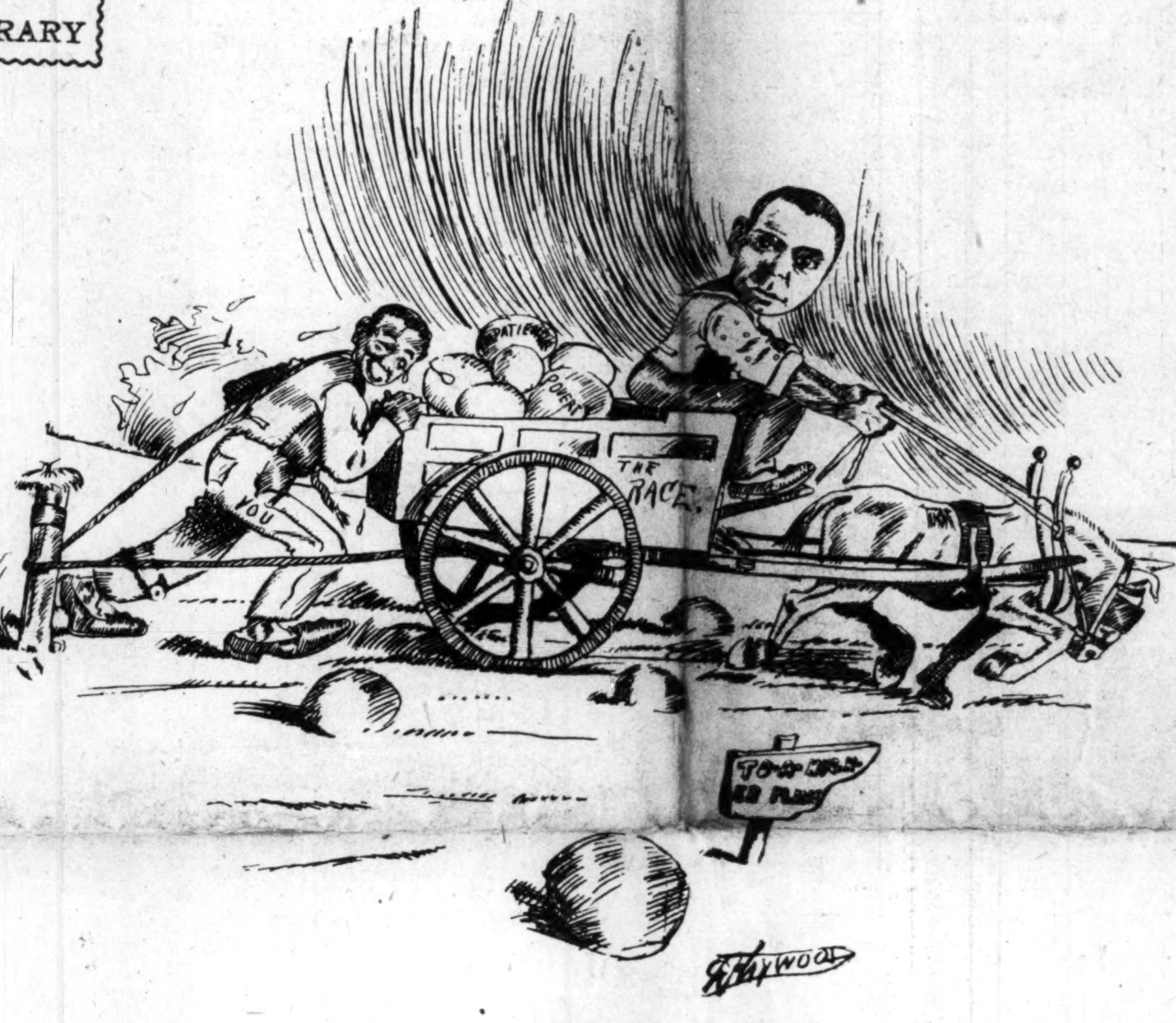

Are "you" pushing or pulling.

The black man in this country is face to face with an anamalous situation. The North offers us some advantages in the way of legal protection that we do not enjoy everywhere in the South, and there are a few superficial liberties allowed, but industrial opportunity, in the large sense, is denied—and upon this hangs all the law and the "profits" with a struggling race like ours. The inexcusable onslaught upon innocent Negroes at Springfield, Ohio, (!) gives us much food for serious reflection. The accursed menace of the trades unions, which stand like a wild beast between the black mechanic and his bread and meat, ready to visit upon us the sword and rifle at the slightest sign that we are appearing as competitors in the open labor market, point to the painful lesson that lynching, color discrimination and racial antipathy are no longer exclusive assets of the South, even if that section does more talking than is true of the North. The Negro problem in America is national in scope and universal in effect. This is too big a subject to discuss at length here, but suffice it to say, it is a problem, or chain of problems, that the race as individuals and in its several organizations, must take up in earnest—not in passion or spirit of reprisal for wrongs suffered—but in soberness and judicial breadth. After all is said and done it is to the Christian South that the Negro must look for justice and for intellectual and industrial opportunity—the primary forces that make for civilization and citizanship. Confronted in the North with a vitiated public sentiment, poisoned by the inroads of the Bourbon South and its migratory kindred and having a pronounced State's Rights Supreme Bench as a court of last resort, we have gradually been made to realize that our only means of reaching the kernal of this distressing dilemma is to deal directly with the Southern man who lives next door, and make ourselves an indispensable part of the warp and woof of his better existence. As Dr. Washington has repeatedly pointed out, for many years to come the bulk of our people must live in the South—we cannot get away, and the majority ought not to want to get away from the habitat to which they are best adapted by temperament and experience. The National Afro-African Council will not close its eyes to what is so self-evident, and its demands will doubtless be made with full knowledge that while Congress, national administrations and kindly disposed northern friends can do much to lighten our burdens they cannot do all. After the federal power has been invoked to its limit there are state regulations that it cannot touch and we are put to it, in the nature of things, to make such terms as we can with our white neighbors inu order to secure the industrial, educational and material privileges that belong to us as a right. In the final analysis the Caesar to whom our appeal must be submitted is the better South and we might as well proceed with that theory firmly established in mind. To more effectively impress this thought the Council goes to a southern city to deliberate, and I believe the Christian men and women who make up so large a proportion of Charlotte's population will meet the body in the broad spirit in which it aims to present itself.

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It is fitting that the Council leaders are askin gthat the blessings of the divine Providence rest upon the work the organization will do at Charlotte. At the suppertion of the corresponding secretary, L. G. Jordan, Sunday, August 12, has been set apart as a day of prayer. Bishop Walters and the Executive Committee express the desire that this fact be generally announced to the people, and it is expected that in every church and in every home a fervent petition will go up for the relief of our oppressed race. On Wednesday following the close of the Council's session, August 15, the seventh annual meting of the National Negro Business League will convene at Atlanta. Arrangements have been made by which all who wish to attend the league meeting can do so quite conveniently, going on to Atlanta direct from Charlotte. A side trip to Tuskegee is talked of and it is possible that a cheap rate will be granted by the West Point railroad to allow the party to run down at the close of the Business Men's League proceedings and view the wonderful things to be seen at Booker Washington's unexampled bee-hive of industry.

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The friends of Negro education and promoters of the general progress of the race will be pleased to know that the April number of the North American Review will contain an article by Dr. Booker T. Washington, bearing upon the celebration of the twenty-fifth anniversary of Tuskegee Institutetute. It will give out many facts hitherto unpublished and will doubtless be enjoyed by a wide circle of leaders.

The new president of the State University at Louisville is the Rev. J. E. Ford, formerly of Chicago, but who has been for the past seven years the pastor o fthe First Baptist church at Denver, Colo. I had the pleasure of meeting him some days ago, in company with the veteran newspaper correspondent, Charles Stewart, and was very favorably impressed with him. Dr. Ford is in the prime of life, full of nervous energy, imbued with high ideals of life and living, and gives evidence of being just the kind of a man the university needs at this time. He is a ripe scholar, an executor of experience and resource, and as a financier he comes recommended by fruitful labor in every field where he has served. While his election came something as a surprise to the uninitiated public, President W. H. Steward and the influential members of the Board of Trustees had had Dr. Ford in mind for some time, but did not wish to disclose their "find" until the psychological moment had arrived and until it was known definitely whether he would be willing to consider a change. He was elected by a vote of 9 to 3. For a little while the friends of Dr. C. H. Parrish took their disappointment a trifle hard, but like true Baptists and loyal friends of education they have become fully reconciled to the decision of the three-fourths majority against them and will give Dr. Ford their heartiest support. The defeat of Dr. Parrish is no reflection on his commanding ability or character. There was a feeling that Dr. Parrish had his hands full with his present obligations, and the sentiment of the board was that a consolidation with Eckstein Norton Industrial School, for which policy his candidacy was said to stand, was not feasible. Because they wished to secure a competent man who could devote his entire time to the upbuilding of the State University 9 out of the 12 trustees voted for Dr. Ford. The minor allegations touching Dr. Ford's beliefs on the subject of communion and baptism have been dismissed as inconsequential. It is irrelevant for the executive management of a school and for the proper teaching of grammar, geography, Greek or latin, mathematics or physics whether a president prefers to take his baptism by sprinkling, pouring, immersion or in any symbolic form, and the finances of the university are of vastly greater import than any unprofitable controversy as to the exact age at which a person is

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A LETTER TO DR. JOHNSON

AMBITION HINDERS CRUSADE

DR. GRAHAM CARRIES THE WAR INTO AFRICA

Many Pointed Questions Asked.—Explains that Baptism,—Followed Dictates of Conscience.—Dr. Johnson's Memory Refreshed.

My Dear Dr. Johnson:—

In your issue of the Christion Recorder, Feb. 22, you say: "The Rev. Dr. D. R. Graham, of Detroit, is said to have accepted Dowism, having been baptised recently in that faith. The columns of the Recorder are open to the Doctor to confirm or deny the report."

I must thank you for your manifest kindness in opening the columns of the Recorder to me to plead innocent or guilty to the awful crime of being baptised according to the dictates of my conscience. But as the Recorder has charged me with taking an inconsistent position lately with regard to the corruption in the church, it might be in place to ask, just here, if some other person is not inconsistent, even more so than I.

You stand upon the watch wall of the connection and should see sin afar off and give the warning cry. Now, have you not known that a number of the leading ministers, and many more of humbler station, are habitual drunkards; that many are immoral and have na personal regard for virtue? If you do not know these things personally, have not the rumors come to you direct, that you are personally satisfied of their truthfulness? Do you know that some of these licensed libertines are filling some of the best pulpits of the connection today, and that wherever they have been they have left moral ruin and shame for many behind them? Do you know that the bishops are in a position to know these things just as well and better than you or I, and that notwithstanding this fact, they continue to transfer them to fresh fields to debauch? Do you know that the example of these men is the most baneful thing that the church has to contend with today and that the race is being dragged down by these hypocritical moral leaders?

Yes, Dr. Johnson, you know it all too well, and I charge you before my God and your God, whose we are, to deny it if you dare.. You know you have wept over these same facts and discussed them in private, but when a man dares to speak of them in public you are afraid to join in the cvrusàde for fear you might lose some votes for the bishopric. You have said to us that if placed upon the bishop's bench you would stand against these disgraceful works; but alas! you show the white feather already. Notwithstanding the cry of the colored press all over the country for pulpit reform you are so much afraid of appearin gto side with Dr. Graham that you discuss everything else but church reform. The worst clerical crime that you can hear of is that Dr. Graham has been baptised in the Dowie church, and certainly you must warn the church against such fellows. How is it that you never published any of the rumors of drunkenness, adultery, seduction and defrauding of churches that you have heard so much of? But, of course, these things have become so common that they are to be taken as a matter of course and are not worth notic ing.

The whole church and country has been looking to see what would be the answer of the church organ of the bishops to the serious charges which I have published, but they have looked in vain. You devoted a whole column on February 15th to an attempt at answering, but tcitly admit that the charges are true, only that some little fellow out in the bushes was expelled from the conference. Poor fellow! He was not wise in drinking before he got to be a "big gun." Then he could get drunk all he pleased, and if his drunkenness interfered too much with his work he could have his pulpit supplied while he took the Keely cure, and then not to lose his standing in the least. Yes, he could even go so far as to get crazy drunk at a Sunday school convention and curse and swear and have to be taken away by force, and yet continue a shining light, if he knew how to raise the money. Is not this true, Dr. Johnson? Then why

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BY "DOROTHY."

This column is devoted to the interests of women. Address all communications to the Woman's Department, The Freeman, Indianapolis, Ind.

A BIT OF ADVICE.

The joys of yesterday are gone,
They vanish like a dream;
From out our lives they hasten on
As flows a rushing stream.
So stretch no eager hand to clasp
The things that pass away,
But turn to those within your grasp—
Enjoy yourself today.

Depend not on the morrow's hopes,
For dark may be the sky,
And rain may drench the sunny slopes
Where you had planned to lie.
This earthly life, as sages teach,
By turns is fair and gray,
So take the things within your reach—
Enjoy yourself today.

Of the 668 women students at the University in New York 483 are Germans, 104 Russians, 43 Americans and 9 English

Marie Corelli the authoress is a small, plump woman with curly hair and a double chin; the latter being so pronounced as to give her much concern

Even the most serious minded advocate of woman's suffrage will enjoy the humor of an incident in the election of the boy "mayor" of a an East Side playground in New York last summer. The girls were not allowed to vote. A large number of them paraded the streets, following a banner which read "Women has rites, and we have rose in our might. The hand that rocks the cradle rules the world."

"For centuries we have tried to get the word that expresses the relation of the man to the maid he intends to marry,', says a writer in the London Chronicle. "Intended" has been tried and and found wanting. "My bloke," "my young man," these combinations are not heard in the best circles. "My betrothed"—a phrase used in Germany—has not taken root in England. "My sweetheart" is pretty enough, but it lacks the official sound. One might suggest to the blushing girl who has to allude to the man of her acceptance "my future." French maidens speak of "mon futur"—and it sounds comprehensive."

Onion plasters are prescribed to break up hard coughs, They are made of fried onions placed between two pieces of old muslin, The plaster is kept quite hot until the patient is snugly in bed when it is placed on the chest to stay over night. Onion syrup is good for a bad cold in the chest,

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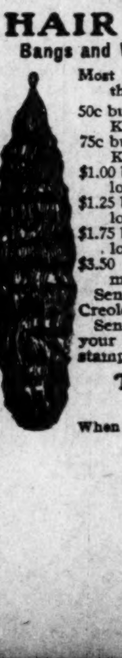

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PLANS FOR SECOND SESSION OF NEGRO Y. P. C. and E. CONGRESS

ORGNAN ZATION OF MUCH BENEFIT

Unification of All Interests Its Higheat Aim—Many Prominent Men Presen to Map Out Actiion—Great Meeting to be Held at Washington, D. C.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 17.—The Executive Committee of the Negro Young Peoples' Christian and Educational Congress met in this city Wednesday and Thursday of last week, in the office of Dr. E. W. Lampton, financial secretary of the African Methodist Episcopal Church, to formulate plans and provide arrangements for holding the Second Great Negro Young People's Christian and Educational Congress in Washington, July 3rd-8th inclusive.

The people of the country have not forgotten the great meeting held in Atlanta four years ago, nor are they unmindful of the immense amount of good done at that meeting. The simple fact that all denominations and other agencies doing work among our people were brought to gether in such an organization meant volumes in favor of racial progress, and now that it has been done once, the promoters of the organization do not mean that it shall sleep.

Under the active leadership of LDr. I. Garland P. Penn, who is the corresponding secretary of the Congress, and assistant general secretary of the Epworth League, Methodist Episcopal Church, the Congress is now coming before the people with several avowed principles and purposes, which all organizations and denominations can and will heartily endorse.

The Congress seeks to emphasize the spiritual and religious life of a people as fundamental to the entire programme of racial progress.

It seeks to become a creator of sentiment in favor of the Negro by presenting object lessons of Negro progress.

Its highest aim is an organization and unification of all interests involving essentials, and forgetting non-essentials.

It seeks a hearing through the press of the country.

It furnishes a survey of the advancement made in the last four years, and gives the country a hearing as to the Negro's views of his own future.

Finally, it seeks to raise sufficient funds to have a paid representation who will look after the interests of the race in the one particular business of crystalizing public sentiment in favor of the Negro.

Many of the most prominent Negro men in the country journeyed to Washington this week to map out this line of action, and to provide arrangements for holding this second session, which undoubtedly will mean so much to us. Every denomination was represented in this meeting, which shows how readily some of our leading men will put down their regular affairs and take a hand in anything that tends for race elevation. The committee and some which met the Board of Directors to make arrangements for this Congress is composed of the following well known gentlemen:

Bishop W. J. Gaines, Atlanta, Ga.; Bishop G. W. Clinton, Charlotte, N. C.; Bishop Alexander Walters, Jersey City, N. C.; Dr. I. Garland Penn, Atlanta, Ga.; Prof. J. R. Hawkins, Kittrell, N. C.; Dr. M. C. B. Mason, Cincinnati, Ohio; Dr. Booker T. Washington, Tuskegee Institute, Ala.; Dr. W. H. Weaver, Atlanta, Ga.; Dr. S. N. Vass, Raleigh, N. C.; Dr. E. W. Lampton, Greenville, Miss.; Dr. E. R. Carter, Atlanta, Go.; Dr. L. E. B. Rosser, Washington, D. C.; Hon. John Dancy, Washington, Dr. J. H. Gollett, Philadelphia, Pa.; Dr. E. C. Morris, Little Rock, Ark.; Dr. L. G. Jordan, Louisville, Ky.; Dr. A. A. Cosey, Mound Bayou, Miss.; Dr. W. Bishop Johnson, Dr. A. C. Garner, Prof. Kelly Miller, of Washington; Dr. E. Carter, Atlanta, and others.

Various committees were appointed to take up different phases of the work, and a strong committee appointed on program. Th local side is being worked up by the local clergy and professional men. Railroad rates will be announced in a few days, but it is confidently expected that they will be the same as they were four years ago. The people of Washington are enthusiastic over the movement, and it is freely predicted that at least ten thousand people will enter Washington City on this occasion. Ministers, teachers and all others interested in Christian and educational work for our young people are earnestly requested to become active in this cause. Full information can be had by writing Dr. I. Garland Penn, South Atlanta, Ga., the corresponding secretary.

HORACE D SLATTER.

VALDOSTA, GA.

Frank Hudson, one of the pioneers of this city died February 18. The funeral took place at the St. Paul A. M. E. church of which he had been a member and officer for a quarter of a century. The services were conducted by the Masons. Five sons, a daughter, and wife survive him.—A. B. Walton has the contract for the erection of the National Bank on Hill Avenue.—Prof. Wiley, the principal of the public schools deserves great credit for his efficient management—The Royal Benefit Society has elected the following officers: Prof. C. G. Wiley, ex president, Dr. R. H. Singleton, pres; F. L. Rice, vice-president; secretary; treasurer, Mrs. Minnie B. White; sergeant at arms, C. S. Simpson; door-keeper, Samuel Postell; chaplain, Prof. C. W. Way.—St. Paul's A. M, E church Dr. T. N. M Smith pastor, is in the midst of a revival. Great results are expected.—Rev. A. W, Bryant, B. D. was installed pastor of Macedonia Baptist Church, Februay 15, and with the installation began a week's celebration of the thirty-ninth anniversary of the church.

Prof. DuBois of the Atlanta University, Atlanta, Ga., has been with us, telling the story of old John Brown, the famous insurrectionist. Unfortunately, it was not my pleasure to hear the distinguished scholar and author, but have made diligent inquiry for information as to the trend of his talk, learn that he dealt with the causes of slavery and the accentuating incidents up until the moment, psychological moment, if you please, when the doughty Brown began to make his decided chapter in the history of the country.

DuBois' masterfulness is not doubted. It is generally known that he is eminent authority on the slave period in America. He is out of the ordinary, it is admitted, but for some reason he left behind him a perplexed condition as it concerns the estimate of the lecture. Was he a too great a colossus? What was the mater with that lecture? Some say that it was too short, which, of course, is very excellent evidence in the professor's favor. Others insist that he talked about everything else except John Brown. The conclusion is, however, that the lecture, good, bad or indifferent, was unlike anything heard by the audience before. It simply escaped analysis— Just a trifle gosameric—fi'ne.

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TESTIMONIALS.

Cleveland, Tenn., Dec. 18, 1905.

My Dear M. Moore—I know you will be surprised to hear from me; I have not forgotten you and never will, for you have been a blessing to mp home, you are a treasure to me. Everything is passing off very smootbly now, I only hope it will continue. I remember you in my prayer. I often think I would have quite a laugh should I ever chance to see you. My husband is at home now and he never go out at night scarcely at all. Answer my letter at your earliest convenient, Yours Mrs. S.

Gilmer, Texas, Jan. 15, 906.

Dear Madame—I take great pleasure to write you to let you know of your work. My daughter has returned home, and I can't praise you too much for your kindness Now just as soon as I can I am going to send you some money. I am in a feeble state right now, also have no work to do, but will pay you as soon as I can. Nothing more. Yours, Mrs. M. J.

Life Lines Crossed

[Original.]

Our lives may be charted by lines. These lines are continually crossing and at times becoming entangled with each other.

My father had been a wealthy New Yorker, but in some way—I never knew how—his fortune had been diverted from my mother and me, her only child. She would not permit me to look into the closet where lurked the family skeleton. Others knew what I was ignorant of, and often I would notice persons regarding me with an expression in which pity seemed to be mingled with indignation.

As I grew up I developed a talent for music, and at my mother's death had sufficient funds to enable me to study abroad. On my return I gave music lessons, by which means I made a scant support. I was alone in the world, having no brothers or sisters, and my lot was a hard one. I had been told by my mother that at my birth it was expected I would some day be one of the wealthiest women in New York. I remembered this, and it made my efforts to eke out a living only the more intolerable.

Among those to whom I gave lessons was the daughter of a wealthy man named Shanklin. He was one of the new rich and, not having either the time or the taste to make a handsome home for himself, had bought a house with everything in it just as it stood at the death of the owner, a widow. The first time I entered the premises was with a singular feeling. It seemed that I had been in some house very like it. But where this other house was or what part of my life I had been in it I could in no way determine.

Now, I shall account for this feeling presently, but there is another circumstance that I cannot account for. I can show a coincidence, but the underlying reason is one of those mysteries which, if ever solved, must be solved by what I may call the science of soul. Over the mantel in the drawing room was the portrait of a beautiful woman in the prime of life. The moment I looked at this portrait I was seized with the most bitter repugnance. It seemed as if the original were doing me some great injury from which I could not escape. Never before nor since have I felt a desire to kill any one as I desired to kill the original of this picture. Yet I was fascinated with the beautiful face, the wealth of flaxen hair, the soft blue eyes. Why I should feel hostility to a face that was looking down on me benignly I could not divine.

The music room opened into the drawing room, and I often went into the drawing room alone. One day while gazing on the portrait it seemed to me that the eyes were looking toward an antique desk directly opposite. I went over and sat in the chair before the desk. Why I did so I do not know. Presently I turned and began to rummage the drawers. While doing so I struck my knuckle against a bit of carved work, and a drawer flew open. It contained two papers, one of which I opened and read.

I need not give the text of this document. It was the narrative of the daughter of an English army officer who had come to America and taken a position as governess. A married man who visited the house where she was employed had fallen in love with her and had insisted on divorcing his wife and marrying the governess. The man was of strong will and induced her to comply. The deserted wife gave birth to a daughter only a few weeks before the marriage of her husband with her rival.

The second wife seemed from the narrative to have been a very unhappy woman. She was ignored by her family in England, which was aristocratic. She was received by the society of New York, but the friends of the woman she had supplanted never lost an opportunity to slight her. It appeared that she was good at heart, but had been led by the man who loved her. At his death he made her all the atonement he could by leaving her his entire property.

His widow, now possessing an enormous fortune, found herself alone in the world and, uninfluenced by the husband, not only gave vent to remorse at having broken up and despoiled a family, but made an effort to find the child that had been born while she was doing so. The narrative ended with mention of this effort.

I had no sooner taken up the other paper than I saw that it was a will, and my astonishment was great to see my own name written in it. Then I read that this person of my name was left all the testator's property. The matter being unintelligible to me, I took both papers to Mr. Shanklin. On reading them he looked at me wonderingly, then asked me a number of questions. Finally he said to me: "This, I happen to know, is the latest will disposing of your father's property by his second wife, who left it to you instead of her relatives, who claimed it. I bought this house from her. It is the house in which you were born. The testator's portrait hangs in the drawing room. The estate has not yet been turned over to the claimants, and I shall, if you wish, instruct my lawyer to enter this will in your behalf."

Thus it was that two life lines crossed, though one of the two beings was dead at the time of crossing. My mother directly before my birth had hated her rival, and I can understand my inherited antagonism on seeing the portrait. But why while looking at it I should have involuntarily searched the desk is another matter, which I leave for solution to those engaged in psychical research.

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THOUGHTS ON THE IDEA OF TIPS TO WAITERS.

BY JOHN B GOINS

As a rule all waiters, as well as other employes in public service, look for and receive tips—fees. Much has been said in the past few years in regard to the practice of giving tips on the one side and receiving them on the other, and steps have been taken by some hotels to stop it altogether. Some proprietors have gone so far as to place signs in their dining rooms forbidding waiters to accept tips.

The matter of tipping is the guest's own desire, and it may be said here that it is not usually the wealthiest people who practice it. The man working for a salary of $150 per month is, on the average, more liberal with those who serve him than those who are worth much more. The man on a salary has taken the trouble to figure out that a waiter's wages are not sufficient to support a family, and that if he had one he must depend on the kindness and consideration of the traveling public to help him out, and he consequently knows that every waiter in American and European plan hotels does not depend on his wages for his support, but figures on the amount of tips he can make per day. Take, for instance, a waiter working for the small sum of twenty dollars per month. He has to at least pay four dollars a month for room rent, three dollars for car fare and incidental expenses, to which is added charge for "breakages" and fines for "late," and it can readily be seen that there is not much left for support of himself and family, and tips become an actual necessity for him.

The waiters who receive the most tips are usually those who have everlasting and job-like patience; those who do not easily take an insult; who ever have a pleasant smile for their patrons; who try earnestly to please them and are always ready to accommodate every one.

A waiter never places himself in a position of expectancy in the matter of receiving a tip, and should avoid approaching a guest if he sees him in the act of drawing change from his pocket.

A waiter should never pose as an object of pity with a view to securing a tip. If he deserves a tip he should let the guest feel within himself that he deserves it, and if the guest wishes to give him a tip he will usually manage to catch the waiter's attention or leave the tip beside his plate. Should the waiter receive a tip previous to waiting on the guest he should leave it lying on the table and then do his level best to earn it.

A waiter should never make any demonstration of gratitude when receiving a tip beyond a polite acknowledgement, for if the attention of other guests is attracted to the circumstance of his receiving it they will feel that they are not likely to receive as good treatment at his hands as the giver of the tip, and will consequently be on the lookout for something to find fault with

In first class hotels every man has his own particular station and is expected to wait on his own guests and nobody else; but it sometimes happens that the head waiter has an impatient guest and signals a waiter to give him a glass of water or some little attention to make the time seem shorter while he is waiting for his order, in which event a waiter, no matter whether the guest is under his jurisdiction or not, must do as the headwaiter directs.

SHORT FLIGHTS.

The People's Band of Columbus has been mustered into the service of the State of Ohio, and will hereafter be known as the Ninth Infantry Band, Ohio National Guard.

Ben Tillman is chairman of the Committee on the Five Civilized Tribes of the Senate. We never would have suspected it had not Tillman told it himself. He could easily proven an alibi.

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Rev. Byron Gunner has opened a printing office in New York City. Some preachers find it profitable to go to work

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At the Church of the Epiphany meeting in New York Dr M W Gilbert parrying Thomas Dixon's plea for the return of the Negro to Africa, said he would willingly return to Africa if Dixon, who had boasted of his German ancestry, would return to Germany and turn this country over to the Indians.

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Thomas Dixon is not gifted with the virtue of consistency. He said in one breath, recently, that the Negro was 4,000 years behind the times, and in the next reproached Dr. Washington for sending his children to a white school "when there are Negro schools just as good."

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Charles S. Cuney of Texas has been promoted from a $900 clerkship in the postoffice department at Washington, D. C., to a $1200 assignment in the same office. In the internal revenue office Bryson S. Chase went from $660 to $720 This will help some.

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Despite the absence of the redoubtable Charles Caterer Curtis they are managing to pull off the usual quota of banquets and collations in honor of the "big guns" at the national capital. Judge Terrell was the latest to be fittingly fed.

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Gov. P. B. S. Pinchback, the "noblest Roman of them all," has it on Ponce de Leon by several laps. He has certainly discovered the fount of eternal youth—and we are glad of it. May his shadow never grow less

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The fact that Mr. Stillings proposes to maintain the government printing office as an "open shop" is "fat" for the Negro devotees of the "art preservative."

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Miss Nannie Helen Burroughs, the energetic corresponding secretary of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Baptist Foreign Missionary Board, speaks before Bethel Literary at Washington on the 20th, her theme being "The Way Out." We trust she has a new "way out" to show the office holding class there, for she is surely aware of the fact that most of them are painfully familiar with all of the old exits.

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Former Minister W. F. Powell slid out of office as quietly, smoothly and expeditiously as if everything had been greased for the occasion.

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Hope you celebrated "Douglass Day" in your town.

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Purity in the pew, without purity in the pulpit is a barren ideality.

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Churches are public institutions, and like public men, they are amendable to honest criticism at the hands of the press and people. If either has shortcomings, a reform is practically impossible until demanded by popular outcry instigated by a widespread exposure of the evil-doer. No disease is cured by concealment, and God's servants are not made better by episcopal collusion.

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Rev D A. Graham's charges against the A. M. E. church should be answered—not "pooh-poohed."

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When a church organ declines to publish a well-tempered communication because it ventures to tell some unpalatable truths, where can a would-be reformer go for a hearing, if not to the secular press, that gives every reputable citizen an equal chance and plays no favorites?

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The editor of "Town Topics" seems to have been a bad "Mann."

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Dr. Lampton's critics have dropped their sand-bags and taken to the tall timber.

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Success is never asked to explain. That unpleasant ceremony is left to failure.

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When a girl begins to make inquiries as to the size of your salary and the amount of your earnings proves satisfactory it is a sign that something is going to happen to you before long.

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Uncultured people have a disgusting habit of coupling the price with the mention of every present they receive or purchase—such as a $10 hat, a $50 ring, a $40 suit, a $30 shirt-stud, a $12 umbrella, or a $1 50 ticket to the theater In contemplating the monetary value of a present given or received the beautiful spirit behind the offering is apt to be lost.

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The Rives bill introduced into the Kentucky Legislature prohibits Sunday excursions, and many colored people are warmly urging its passage. Properly conducted there is little harm in going off for a day's outing on the Sabbath to drive away dull care, but when one sees the motley assemblages that the average Sunday excursions brings to town, it is no wonder that self-respecting Negroes hold up their hands and exclaim: "From all such spectacles and their attendant evils, good Lord deliver us." The bill ought to pass, as a measure to promote order, thrift, industry and economy.

R. W. THOMPSON.

AMONG THE CHURCHES AND THEIR PEOPLE

Bishop J. W. Hood is slowly improving. He expects to fill his episcopal engagements late in the spring.

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Organic union with the A. M. E. Zion church will be one of the important issues to be settled at the coming Conference of the Colored M. E. Church, which assembles in Topeka, Kansas, in May.

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Through the recommendations of Bishop Alexander Walters, Mrs. Belle Riley, a talented young woman of Mobile, Ala., has been appointed to a responsible position in the Publication Department of the A. M. E. Zion Church at Charlotte, N. C.

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Jacob Street Tabernacle, Louisville, Ky., of which Rev. Adam Wakefield is pastor, has just installed a new and extraordinarily handsome set of bronze lighting fixtures, the chandeliers being equipped for both electric bulbs and gas. The cost of the improvement was $117, and it is entirely paid for.

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Mrs Lena Mason, the noted evangelist, is rounding out two months of successful revival work at Quinn Chapel and other churches in Louisville. The interest is so great that she will continue in that field for some time yet, with occasional labors in New Albany and Jeffersonville, across the Indiana border.

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The "women preachers" and ministers of religion have increased throughout the United States during the last decade at the rate of 300 per cent. In 1890 the women "clergymen" of America licensed to preach and marry couples numbered only 1,143, whereas there are now 3,378. Quite a number of these are colored women.

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If the General Convention of the Baptist Church goes to Louisville in May, as it probably will, there promises to be a wrestle over the problem of what to do with the colored delegates who are entitled to seats in the great body. When Northern and Southern religionists (¼) try to get together and serve God it is so difficult to keep the devil of brotherly equality with the black man out of the camp.

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The Negro Young People's Christian and Educational Congress will meet at Washington, July 3 to 8. Bishop W. J. Gaines, Rev. I. Garland Penn, Dr. Booker T. Washington, Rev. E. W. Lampton and many prominent colored Christian workers are deeply interested in this movement. At a recent conference at the capital in promotion of the event, representatives from nearly every state and religious denomination were present. 10,000 delegates and visitors are expected during the sitting of the convention.

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February 10 was appropriately observed by the A. M. E. Zion church. It was the anniversary of the birth of the great Dr. Joseph C. Price. Tributes to the memory of the revered leader were delivered in all the churches and collections were taken for the benefit of the educational cause. One-half o the money will be applied toward the erection of a memorial building in honor of Dr. Price on the campus at Livingston College, and the other half will be held by Secretary of Education S. G. Atkins, of Winston-Salem, N. C., for distribution by the Board of Education among the various schools controlled by the Zion connection.

"DOUGLASS DAY" IN SOUTH INDIANA.

New Albany, Ind., Feb. 14.—For the first time in the history of this city the birthday of the immortal Frederick Douglass was celebrated in our public schools. At the suggestion of Mr. W. R. Thompson, the well known correspondent, and Mrs Mary E. Washington, patriotic instructor attached to the W. R. C., Supt. C. A. Prosser very readily consented to set apart an hour of the afternoon of the 14th in each of the four colored schools for the observance of the natal day of the Negro's most inspiring character. At Scribner High School the program was as follows:

Opening Chorus—"Battle Hymn of the Republic," the school.

Introductory remarks—Principal R. A. Roberts.

Solo—"Just Give Us Another Lincoln," Miss Eva Russ.

Biographical sketch of Douglass—Mr. J. A. Hodge.

Song—"Old Kentucky Home," the school.

Prelude—"Patriotism a Factor in Education," Mrs. M. E. Washington.

Address—"Lessons From the Life of Douglass," Mr. R. W. Thompson.

Song—"Star-Spangled Banner," the school.

"Ode to Douglass," (Paul Laurence Dunbar) Miss Grace McKuire.

Closing Chorus—"Three Cheers for the Red, White and Blue," the school.

The program presented in the other schools was substantially the same, with the exception that Dr. W. O. Vance delivered the address at the Second Street Building, Rev. B. G. Shaw spoke at Division street, and Mr. C. B. Lewis at West Union. The attendance at each was large and enthusiastic, and it was practically decided to make "Douglass Day" an annual feature in the colored schools of New Albany.

HOUSTON, TEX.

L Jones, our colored contractor and builder has finished his skating rink. Robert Gaines has resigned his position at the King Shaving Parlor.—Isaac Brossard has returned from Galveston.—A J. Witherspoon is in New Orleans.—Rev. Thomas Cole, of Richmond was the guest of his mother recently.—There are three large colored skating rink and are doing a good business—The Houst Amusement Company will appear at the U B F Hall shortly for the benefit of the school children—Martin Young has returned from West Texas.

FT. WORTH, TEX.

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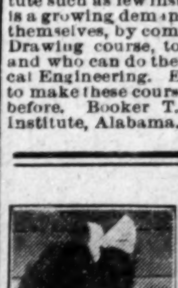

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THE SPRINGFIELD MOB.

The more we think about this disgraceful, inhuman and savage affair, the more certain we are that its causes are not to be found on the surface of things. The former riot, like this one, showed either sympathy or cowardice on the part of those whose duty it was to enforce law. As almost every American is a latent or prospective candidate for some office or place, he is unwilling in most instances to do anything that may impair his chances. This unwillingness to act according to principle and duty is what The Freeman has meant by its frequent saying that the average politician is a coward. He knows that the vote of a tough at a primary or an election counts as much as that of the loyal and decent citizen. He cares only for immediate results, and is willing to let the future take care of itself. His feeling of concern for government is only for that which brings a material benefit to him regardless of the hurt it may bring to others. He does not seek to put certain principles into effect for the good of all. In short, the professional politician, be he white or black, is the greateat criminal in the civic life of this generation, for his influence is productive of nine-tenths of our social evils. When he does do good it is by mere accident and without intention. He constitutes n evil that is always a danger to peace and security, and should be uprooted at any cost. So far as our race is concerned, the Negro politician has clogged its progress and threatens to become a mill-stone about its neck. Tbe white politician and the black politician acting together constitute a force which produces the conditions that make mobs possible, for they subsist for the most part on the black and white rowdy. We should not have had the second riot at Springfield if there had not been professional politicians in office there during the first riot. If they had performed the duties of their official positions instead of playing the game of cheap politics, these rowdies would have had a lesson before them which could not have been forgotten in so short a time. We shall remove one factor of the mob when we get the independence to rid our civic life of the professional politician. He has no good excuse to offer for his existence. His illness will add to the general health of society. May his shadow continue to grow shorter.

REPUBLICAN PATHWAY.

Parties are the product of necessity, which grow out of conditions that call them into being. These conditions out of which they grow have within them the neglect or suppression of some principle of vital importance to the happiness and well being of the citizen. It is by taking a stand on such a principle and declaring in favor of adherence to it that a new party finds followers. It grows, becomes dominant, and then powerful. In an order that is apparently natural it then becomes corrupt, and corruption is followed by decay, and then another party rises on its ruins.

This was as it used to be. At the present time there is a disinclination to take on new party names. Regeneration is taking place within parties, instead of outside of them. That is, decay in old parties is arrested by a change of direction. For example, the last presidential campaign saw the last of what may be called the old Democratic party. It was the last stand of the "old guard" against the growing change within its own ranks. Long before the day of election the battle had become a rout, and plutocratic democracy was down and out for the next quarter of a century, at least. The Democratic victories of the future can only be those of the Bryan-Folk-Johnson variety. Either this, or a deserved sojourn in the wilderness.

It has required ten years to effect this change in the Democratic party. While the change has been going on the Republicans have reveled in delight and have worn about them the mantle of idle security. They have felt themselves to be proof against the microbe of "populism," as they chose to call the cause of the ailment in the Democratic body. They have felt no cause for alarm, nor do they seem to feel any now. Yet the microbe seems to be at work. The Republican party has been exposed to the little pest, some time. some where, Roosevelt, Lafollette, Cummins and the recently elected successor of Congressman Grosvenor are a different brand of Republicanism than the old orthodox type. The traditions of the party are not sacred things to them.

"New occasions teach new duties.
Time makes ancient good uncouth.
We must ever up and onward
Who would keep abreast of truth,"

say they. We have already seen the differences between these men and the majority of the party's leaders. The President is with the radical minority. Will the party follow the reform element in it, or will it attempt to drown this radical element? Can the President bring the party leaders to him? If he can the rank and file will follow readily. If he cannot, then what?

We believe that the Republican party is fast approaching the forks of the road—that it must choose whether it will continue to be the servant of the trusts and Wall street, or whether it will be the servant of the people. Resolutions and declarations that leave room for various constructions will not do. Such things have been worked about to the limit. It is a case of "choose ye this day whom you will serve." Which will it be?

WE ARE COMING.

Evidences are multiplying which show that the colored people of this city are beginning to take life seriously. It has been but a few years ago that all our activities were covered by the names of lodges, churches and jobs. Then came Alpha Home, a retreat provided for aged colored women. After that the Flanner Guild, the Y. M. C. A., and now the Young Women's Club Home. All of these things can find much good work to do. All of these are needed and are worthy of our support. We are of the opinion, however, that this entire field should have been covered by our churches, but these seemed to be asleep to the necessity for such work and to the many sided benefits to accrue from them. The churches have been content to travel along the beaten path neither looking to the left nor the right for the work they were designed to do. Their energies have all been absorbed in "shouting" and in raising money to pay off big debts that should never have been contracted. We have kept our Christianity so heavily mortgaged that little time could be spared from paying interest. So, since the churches could not, or would not do this work, it has had to be done by others.

Now, there is other thing we need here, and we need it badly. We need a well equipped hospital where we may get that which we cannot secure elsewhere. It is quite certain that the same energy and perseverance that has attended the building up of some of these other establishments would produce a hospital of creditable proportions. Our physicians have patients who need such a place where they msy go and retain the doctor of their choice. We need the trained nurses that such a place would supply. We need a hospital.

SOME GOOD IN NAZARETH.

The following article from the pen of a prominent business man of Springfield, Ohio, was published in the Daily News of that city before the recent disgrace. It reveals a spirit of good sense and fairness—all that is needed to secure justice to all. It is in such contrast to recent events that we offer it to our readers:

"I often hear people use very uncomplimentary remarks about the colored people. I take the position that the colored man is not to be censured on account of his color, as the Lord created him that way, and if that is a handicap to him, it should not be where he proves himself worthy of merit by his conduct and dealings with his fellow men.

I am frank enough to not be prejudiced against any man on account of his color, religion or former condition. In our country it seems to be not so much what you are, but 'who you are.' While the colored people do not ask to be recognized socially on a par with the white people they have a moral right to be considered equal when it comes to making a living, as they are here to stay, and evidently are worthy of consideration, everything else being equal

I am only writing this in the spirit of justice and humanity and speaking from the standpoint of an unprejudiced mind. Of course when we consider the disadvantages the colored race have had to contend with, we should overlook some of their shortcomings and rather pity than censure them. It is not what they once were, but what they hope to be in the future. Fair-minded people should think and encourage people to do better things and not discourage them is my true sentiments.

JOS. BAER."

Springfield, O., Feb. 17, 1906.

THE SPECTATOR.

THINGS AS HE SEES THEM.

Sunday, Feb. 25th, was a great day for the colored people of the city, religiously, also it was a great day for parades. In the forenoon the quiet of the day was disturbed by a parade of the Flanner Guild contingency to the inspiring strains of a brass band. It was a sort of "See, the conquering hero comes" affair. It was also very funny and childish.

Then came the afternoon parade, under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A. It reminded one of a circus holiday affair. Just why a brass band was necessary, the public croweth not. Perhaps the able board of directors and equally able secretary may know.

The Y. M. C. A. failed to make the most of its opportunity at its Sunday afternoon meeting. The program was too long. People became tired of a harangue and make-believe funny stories, even at a Y. M. C. A. meeting. The people came to hear Mr. Mooreland and not our local celebrities. They should have gracefully retired t did not give the earnest and capable international secretary a fair chance and he really had something of worth to say.

The Realty Hall is a great hall, and the company owning it is a great company—so says the Realty Company. Large banners inside the hall publish this fact, and then the company does not fail to advertize in season and out of season, for at the first Sunday meeting held there they distributed circulare about their business.

And on last Sunday a local dentist took the occasion to advertise his business. This may have been enterprise, but it was not good taste.

Verily, our people fear fresh air. Did you notice at this meeting when the secretary asked that the windows be lowered, two windows were actually lowered two inches.

THE SPECTATOR.

MR. D. D. HUNTER DEAD.

Mr. Daniel D. Hunter, who has held the position of foreman in The Freeman composing room for over ten years, died at his home in this city on Friday night, March 2. He was well known to the printers' profession in this part of the country, having served on the Shelbyville Republican, the Richmond Palladium, the Lebanon Patriot, the Lafayette Call, all of which are daily papers, besides a number of colored weeklies. Mr. Hunter has served The Freeman long and well, always faithfully devoting his energies to the work before him. He was absent from the office less than a week. On Thursday, the day before his death, he remembered that it was "press day," and he had to be restrained from dressing himself, for, he said, they need me. I must go. And he did go—not to labor but to his reward. The Sunday-school and choir in Allen Chapel and The Freeman share with the family the loss that is upon us. He is done with type and space—galley and chase. The adds which tell of his life are placed, the forms are made up and his life work has gone "to press." In the morning its pages will appear well made up and free from blot and blur and the common frailties of man.

Mrs. Ada Jones of Springfield, Ohio, sends us a communication in which she defends the colored people of that city against misrepresentations of the press, and shows that they were in nowise responsible for the recent barbarism practiced there. The man whose crime was made a pretext for that anarchy was not even a resident of the city. She declares that the poor white rowdies built up the mob around the word "nigger."

We think that Mrs. Jones has the wrong impression when she says that the press of that city has succeeded in creating the impression that the colored residents there are worthless. We have seen nothing in comments outside that city that fails to put the blame where it belongs. That performance cannot be justified. It was a clear case of white savagery for which white savages are responsible.

It will not do to try and account for that cowardly mob bythe latest newswhich states that it was composed of mere boys. The average American boy is a desperado, but he acts only with the sanction of men who are ashamed to do what they encourage in these youngsters. It would be an awful thing for that mob to have made a hundred funerals necessary, but it would have been an evidence of a higher degree of civilization than is shown by permitting what occurred.

We did not injure Spain in that war as much as we injured ourselves. In it we overturned some of our highest American ideals, and it gave the young American bull dog a taste of blood that has not yet been satisfied Instead of being a trusted guardian of the children of liberty he can be no longer be entrusted to guard them. He is no more the protector. The children will one day need protection from him.

Dr. Hartstone said on last Sunday night that we do not need women who leave their husbands to rock the cradle.

That is true. Neither do we need men whose only ability is to fill cradles.

Most of the white papers seem to regard the poor white man as hopeless for they say that the only way to prevent such acts of deviltry as took place at Springfield is to suppress the Negro criminal. Such things are only done by barbarians and form no legitimate part in the suppression of crime.

Say of it what you may, but we believe that the "strenuous life" nonsense and the "walk easy and carry a big stick" doctrine to be responsible for most of the present day deviltry, and that it will some day be paid for at home or abroad by rivers of blood.

If Bishop Turner had known that affair was going to take place in Ohio he might not have felt disposed to correct the false report sent out.

The Jew in Russia is as secure as the colored man in Springfield. Neither have rights which the cowardly majority respect.

So long as a large per cent of the criminals are at large we may expect merciless mobs and cowardly, cringing officials.

Evidently there are a number of people in Springfield, Ohio, who are incapable of self-government.

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eligible to the baptismal rite. These are problems for doctrinaires and dogmatists and can well be "passed up." The people want a live, progressive school for the higher education of the race in Louisville, and Dr Ford starts out with the manner of a man who is determined to "deliver the goods." He has accepted the work but will probably not assume active charge until later in the year, as he must wind up some important affairs at his Denver home before leaving finally. It is the confident prediction of those who have listened to Dr. Fords Eloquent and scholarly sermons and addresses in different portions of the city during the past few days, and have come into sympathetic contact with him, that he will make an admirable sluccessor to even so able and well-loved a president of the university as the late Dr. C. L. Purce.

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I have to thank my great and good friend Mr. W. T. Menard for nominating me for consul to Peurto Babello, Venezuela, and such a profusion of compliments in his Washington letter to the Florida Sentinel. The job was recently held by Mr. J. B. Peterson of the New York Age, who resigned to accept a deputyship in the office of Collector of Internal Revenue Anderson, in New York City. The salary is $1,500 per annum, but this is a bagatelle compared with the glorious opportunity of serving one's country and setting at naught Buship Turner's pessimistic utterances anent the American flag. Nevertheless and notwithstanding, for several reasons, unnecessary to go into at length, I very much fear I shall not be in a position to accept the nomination which the ever-generous Mr. Menard has so kindly tendered. Further particulars may be furnished by Mr. Root, Secretary of State.

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The alleged charges aganinst Dr. W. T. Vernon, which President Roosevelt dismissed as frivolous and unworthy of attention are being used by Tillman as an excuse to hold up his confirmation as Register of the Treasury. The South Carolina "pitchfork" artist is not so good that he is at all particular what kind of men receive places at the hands of the President—provided they are white men. He merely hangs his objection to Vernon to an old peg, merely to annoy a Negro, and with the possible hope that Roosevelt may withdraw the appointment. Tillmin has not handled any paper money for several years because he has solemnly vowed never to accept any money upon which the signature of a black man appeared. He is evidently tired of silver and gold, so if he can defeat Vernon or any other Negro the PJresident may appoint, he can line his much worn pockets with crisp greenbacks without fear of contamination. The Senate should tell Tillman and the absurd fetich of "Senatorial courtesy" to go to—you know where—and confirm Vernon without delay.

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The famous Pen and Pencil Club at Washington maintains a "full-Nelson" on its time-honored title, notwithstanding the fact that another organization has incorporated under it, and thus robbed the old coterie of all rights in the premises. President H. P. Slaughter, however, refuses to sanction the hint gently thrown out by "yours truly" that the name be changed to the "Knife and Fork Club." Mr. Slaughter admits that the designation is vividly descriptive of the favorite pastime of the husky pencil pushers, but thinks that an appellation so suggestive of "vittles and things" is lacking in the awful dignity that should hedge about its Houstons, Pelhams, Grays, Cobs, Pollards and other high-lights of contemporaneous literature.

R. W. THOMPSON.

A LETTER TO DR. JOHNSON

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do you not, as a watchman on the wall of Zion, cry aloud against these things? What excuse will you render to your God for your silence when you see the flock being thus destroyed by false shepherds and wolves in sheep's clothing¼ Will your answer be, "Why, Graham was babtized in a Dowie church." How can you be so small as to tr yto dodge the point, the awful point, at issue in such a way? Yes, I was baptized according to the dictates of my own conscience as the Discipline says I have a right to be. I was denied that privilege and the performance of the duty in my church because of a foolish law which says that no one shall be re-baptized, after saying that each person shall have his or her choice as to the mode of baptism. The law contradicts itself and can be interpretated any way we want to. I am a believer in triune immersian, the only baptism known for the first nine centuries of the Christian church, according to Watson and all standard authorities, including Bishop Vincent. But as my mother had me baptized by sprinkling before I was conscious of the fact I was denied obeying the apostolic injunction "repent and be baptized" in a Methodist church and I found a church where I could be baptized without becoming a member of the same. Therefore, six months ago, I was baptized and am still a member of the A. M. E. church, Michigan Conference and pastor of Bethel. Now what of it?

Did I not have as much right to do that as do the bishops to take the dollar money belonging to the widows and orphans and appropriate it to their own use? You know that they do this, do you not? I have the evidence that at least six of them who have taken conference dollar money since the last general conference, which you know well we tried to stop by adding five hundred dollars to their salary. It is shocking to see them holding up this fund for from one to three hundred dollars per conference and at the same time send the poor superanuate off with fifty or sixty dollars. In one conference three superanuates received altogether seventy-five dollars, while the bishops present received one hundred and sixty-five dollars. What do you think of that bishop's godly judgment? From the evidence which is piling in upon me it seems that there is more money being filched from the conference treasury since the last general conference by the bishops than in any previous quadrenius. Don't you think this is true?

You remember, Dr. Johnson, that in the spring of '99, Dr. John M. Henderson, then pastoring Bether, New York, wrote an article for "The Freethe bishops, even intimating that the only way for a man to get along with some of the bishops was to point out to those chief shepherds the easy character of the flock whenever they were around. You will remember, also, how indignant I was that such a charge should be laid against our episcopacy by an elder in the church, and that I wrote a letter to the Recorder demanding that Dr. Henderson be made to prove his vile charge or be expelled from the church. I even went so far as to say that if I were a member of the New York conference I would see that he were placed on trial. You remember also, that you did not publish that letter of mine for the reason that six of the bishops advised you not to, for some peculiar reason prefering that Dr. Henderson should not be challenged to prove his assertions. Then Dr. Cook took up the matter at the New York conference and prepared charges against Dr. Henderson for slandering the bishops. But when the conference met a visiting bishop took Dr. Cook in hand and persuaded him to withdraw the charges and Cook and Henderson were both elected to the general conference. You remember this disgraceful incident very well, and the deductions which you drew from it in private. Now, have not subsequent developments proven those deductions to be correct? You know that they have. Then why in the name of God do you not rise up and smite those unholy men hip and thigh, as your conscience tells you to? If you are too cowardly to defend the purity of the pulpit then you are not fit to occupy the editorial chair, much less that of bishop.

Now, I wish to inform you that the people are taking great interest in my writings, and I am receiving letters from ministers, superintendents, lawyers, business men and laymembers of the general conference from every district and they are pledging themselves to do their part towards carrying on this reform at any cost. You may try to shoo it off, or to stop it by misrepresenting me, but that will do no good. The people are going to stop supporting the church unless it stands for righteousness. They will not give dollar money to be squandered by those who are already well paid, while the widow and the orphan are left to suffer. The people who pay this dollar money are not interested about Graham's baptism, but they do want you to tell them whether Graham's charges are true. Will you dare to answer as a man of God?

D. A. GRAHAM.

166 Napoleon St.,
Detroit, Mich.

N. B.—The above open letter was mailed to Rev. Dr. H. T. Johnson, editor of the Christian Recorder, March 1st, 1906; but for fear that he will refuse to publish, only in garbled extracts, I mail the same to the Freeman, that the readers may have my full reply to Dr. Johnson's criticisms, and note carefully whether he will give an honest reply.

D. A. G.

SPRINGFIELD, ILL.

Otis B. Duncan, colored is the republican nominee for alderman of the first ward. Mr. Duncan has a clean record, and it is said by many who are giving this political fight more than a passing thought that he has a splendid chance to win.—The Lincoln Colored Home recently received a hondsome bequest amounting to $7 000 and with this gift the trustees hope to clear up all indebtedness—The Culture Club has moved from the Zion Baptist church and is now holding their meetings at the Masonic Hall.—If you fail to get The Freeman, call up 219 new.

KANSAS CITY, MO.

James Danne will visit at St. Paul, the guest of Shipley Simms.—Mrs. Nick Patton, of Omaha, Neb, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. A. Montgomery, 919 Central.—Attorney C. H. Calloway has returned from a business trip to Topeka, Kans.—W. H. Nance has returned fom Mexico where he has been on real estate business.

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satin Prince Albert coats of regular minstrel fashion.

After the opening chorus which is lively and tuneful, Mazie Campbell is the first comedian to step forth and win honors in a little song called "Sallie." This is followed by a solo, "When the Bees are in the Hire," by J. A. Watts, a high tenor whose voice gives superior satisfaction, if we are to judge by generous applause. Dave Smith another comedian sung "Josie, Listen to Me" and showed himself to be a natural singer and dancer. T. O. Mills, a high contra-tenor rendered "Somebody's Waiting for Me" with a voice that is magnificently sweet and clear. "Fare Thee Well; That Means Goodbye," introduced Bunk Campbell and showed him to be a comedian of some little importance. W. A. Dixon, a tenor singer with a slurring accent on his dissyllables sung "Sweet Adeline," a trifle swift but sweetly and was well received At this juncture it was left for Kid Langford to sing and talk and do as he pleased to warm things up for the reception of the star and king of laughter.

Here Billy Kersands, the most popular minstrel comedian in the world, whose name is a household word in every city, town and hamlet, wearing his heavy plaid coat, with a collar as high as a house and a silk hat placed low over his forehead, made his appearance from the back of the waterme on ground only to receive an ovation such as only Billy can. And with a smile as broad as any in the land he executed the most graceful artistic song and dance that I have ever witnessed from any minstrel man. Then came the olio. This was opened by Arthur Mazwell, the pluperfect myrmidon of trick bicyclists who at once created an uproar by his daring feats of locomotion. He not only rode without the handle of his bike but rode backward and forward, treading the wheel with his hands with his feet thrown in the air and climbing through his wheel while it was motionless, gained for him distinct attention. His most difficult feat was to mount and ride his wheel without he aid of his hands. This accomplishment sent him off the stage amid the wi dest cheers. To this with unassuming grace, he politely bowed his acknowledgment.

The Campbell Bros., Bunk and Mazie, the black aristocrats, was the next twin and one that can be highly recommended as a black face team, these boys are above all things natural. Besides having loud musical voices they have talent and loud ways that give much entertainment.

Alonzo Moore, a young magician whose racial accent gave the audience pleasure, soon convinced them that he was up to the usual standard of his race in another line. From tiny bits of paper he strewed ribbons all over the audience. At other moments he produced chickens, ducks, rabbits and guinea pigs without notice. His sudden production of flags of all nations including a large American flag, was something to wonder at and won for him great applause. The Comedy Four in Zulu pastimes, gave mirth in generous measure and the Imperial drill led by John E. Sherman gave much pleasure. Billy Nichols, the mimic who was next on the program was omitted. Mrs. Kersands stated that he had been retired from the company. Billy Kersands himself, whom I might here state is the only and original Kersands that ever was or will be filled the vacancy and left nothing to be desired. Billy's imitations of women were decidedly clever and natural. His rendition of the "Mighty Dollar" was still a greater factor in his repertoire and his presence was thrice re-demanded amid screams of applause and laughter.

The olio was concluded by a sketch entitled "Nancy's Elopement" by the Alabama Quartet, Kid Langford, Dave Langford, Dave Smith W. A. Dixon and Oscar Cameron. Langford played old man; Dixon old woman; Smith sweetheart and Comeron was a nice young lady. The climax of the elopement ended with much merriment and commotion. The successful management of Billy Kersrnds is due entirely to the business ability of his wife, as Mrs. Kersande I discover is a lady of rare quality and intelligence. Of Billy Kersands the rarest thing I can say about him is that he can draw a paying house anywhere he goes. The executive staff is as follows: Mr. and Mrs. Kersands, proprietors; George W. Treyser, manager; Gus Gus Goethe, advertising agent; George L. Barton, advance agent; John C. Sherman, stage manager.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Clermont, Chris Smith and J. Wesley occupied a box at the performance.

The Clermontos, Frank and Etta, more widely known as the Hiawaian Singing and Dancing Sketch, who have been playing the best houses of the East and have just finished their last Keith engagement at the Richmond Theatre, North Adams Mass., and after their visit home looking over their flat, and the Kersands show at Elizabeth and Orange, N. J. They are engaged by Manager McKay, of the Bennett Moulton as a special feature for his company, going West, having been booked over the Lubelsky Circuit opening at Denver and playing all of Colorado first, then to the coast. They will go East for their summer engagements over the Walter J. Plimmer Park Tour. Address 129 West Twenty-seventh street, New York.

You can always be found if your name appears in The Freeman's Manager's and Actor's Directory.

J. W. Jordan will be seen with Norris & Rowe's Circus this season.

Bland & Frye are laying off in Kansas City, Mo., at Hotel McRay, 721-723 Charlotte street.

Tom Logan has undergone a dangerous but successful operation at the New York Polyclinic Hospital.

George Bryant and A. A. Copeland of the "Hot Time in Coontown" were guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Anderson, at Piqua, O., Sunday February 25.

The genial Tom McCain, well known to the profession, is now in charge of the Frontana Club, 239 East Twenty-second street. "Nuf Sed."

Cooper & Robinson will go to London early in May; Brandon & Wiley will also fill an engagement there soon. Johnson & Wells will open at Budapest.

H. LaShe, the novelty slack wire artist has accepted an engagement as stage manager at Owasso, Mich., until May 1, with parks and county fairs to follow.

Cole & Johnson, under the continued direction of M. S. Bentham, will return to England in May for a return engagement at the Palace and next fall they will present "The Shoo Fly Regiment," with a first-class company.

BILLY KERSANDS MINSTRELS

BY SYLVESTER RUSSELL.

At the Lyceum Theatre, Elizabeth, N. J., February 19, Billy Kersands Minstrels opened matinee and evening to a large and enthusiastic audience. On February 20, I reviewed the performance from a seat in the orchestra. The curtain rises on a grand military watermelon first part disclosing Prof. James S. Lacy and his orchestra, S. L. Green, E. D. Stafford, Clarence Jones, J. W. Mobley, Amos L. Gailliard, Charles S. Crossin, George Reeves, W. M. Dozier, F. J. and B F. Williams. The singers, with John E. Sherman as middleman are attired in white satin, Father Washington knickerbockers, with wigs to match. The comedians wear maroon

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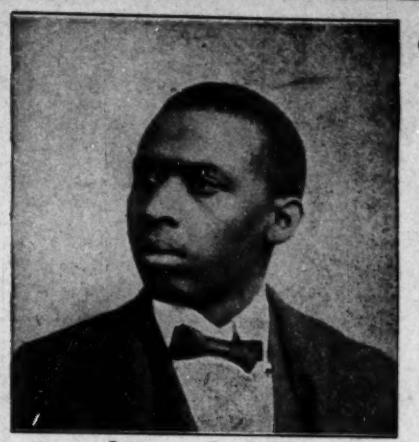

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GREATER NEW YORK STAGE NOTES.

BY CARLE BROWNE COOKE.

The Rufus Rastus Company opened last week at the West End Theatre, in Harlem. J. Edward Green is improved in health; Harry Gilliam and wife are improving from a recent illness. Miss Bessie Gillam, Miss Marie Lange, Clarence Bowen and Mrs. Burns are making a hit at Hammerstein's Variety Theatre. They play the Colonial soon.

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From my heart I wish you and company success.
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Pittsburg, Pa., February, 20.
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We were playing in one of the mining towns of New York to break the show in. Unfortunately a convention of some order was there at the same time. Hogan tried hard to find a room for himself. After hunting around in vain for an hour or so he asked an old farmer to recommend him to a place where he could find a bed for a night. "Well" said Hiram, "the hotels were pretty well filled, but have you tried the hospital? It's right around the corner and they generally have a bed for emergency cases."

At another time Hogan and I boarded the Lackawanna train in Hoboken and made for Scranton. Hogan's pockets were filled with heavy bundles of gold certificates, stage money of course. However, they looked so close to the real stuff that Hogan, who is a practical joker tried all sorts of stunts with the waiter. While sitting at luncheon in the diner, he pulled one of these certificates out of his pocket, folded it neatly and dropped it on the floor unnoticed by anybody. The headwaiter passed. "Look here," shouted the Negro star at the top of his voice, "somebody dropped a twenty dollar bill!" The waiter took a quick glance at the bill cried almost instantly, "Be Gosh, I've been looking for that bill for over an hour" In his attempt to pick it up, he dropped an armful of plates. Hogan and I were laughing until the tears rolled down our cheeks, and the waiter felt very much relieved when we changed our seats in the diner for two in the smoking car.

Just as amusing is a story illustrating the frankness of the ever witty Hogan. A young man who thinks his voice willl some day win his renown in the Rufus Rastus Company, confided to the comedian, that he had an engagement that evening at a concert "If I should miss the car," he said as he gazed on the street, "it would be terrible you know, I never like to disappoint an audience." Hogan remembered that on several occasions he had been compelled to sit and listen to the young man's vocal efforts, when only politeness prevented the audience from throwing vases at him." Here was a chance to get back. "And you really don't wish to disappoint your audience?" the comedian asked sarcastically. "Indeed, no." "Then miss the car" And now the young fellow's inspiration to join the Rufus Rastus Combany have vanished forever.

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Ernest Hogan, the popular comedian who portrays the title role in "Rufus Rastus" tells the following delightful litte story:

My company and I were making for Cincinnati on the night train. It seemed that the Pullman porter was very much pleased to find a special sleeper occupied by colored merry-makers If he anticipated any fun, he certainly was spared from disappointments, for the members of the company were engaged in singing and all sorts of dances from a buck and wing to a cake walk. The hilarity lasted until early in the morning, and I believe it was close to three o'clock when I retired. I had just fallen into a real dolce farneinte, when I was awakened by the porter, asking me for my request. Why, my dear fellow, I haven't called you and off he went.

Ten minutes had hardly passed when my siesta found a new interruption, 'Can I do anything for you, Mr. Hogan?' asked the ever busy porter. "Please go away and let me sleep" was my rather angry reply. With a turn he rushed off once more, only to annoy me after a few minutes again with the same question This time I lost control of myself and I gave him to understand that I would change the color of his face if he dared to continue disturbing me. "Well, Mr. Hogan," was his polite reply, "I don't like to tear you away from your slumber, but if you would move your knee from the electric button we both would have rest."

MR. ERNEST HOGAN.

R. Augustus Lawson, the eminent pianist and Sylvester Russell dined with Bob Cole at the Marshall House New York, February 28. Mr. Lawson was en route to Philadelphia where he gave a recital.

Notes from Kansas City—Patton's Barber force sends regards to members of the Honolu Minstrels and wish them much success. Pete Woods, the famous Australian comedians is resting up in Kansas City, Mo., and sends regards to all friends; permanent address 123 West Sixth, Kansas City. All theatrical people when in Kansas City, Mo., can find The Freeman at the Black Diamond Messenger Office and the Seymour Cafe, 709 Wyandotte street.

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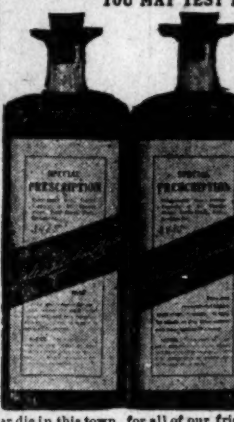

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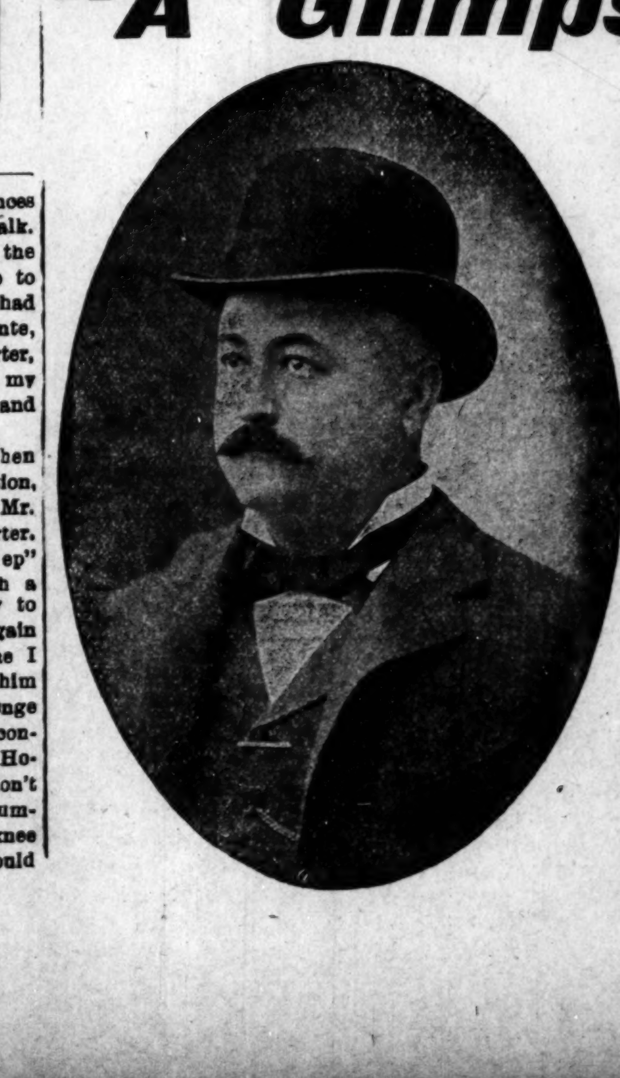

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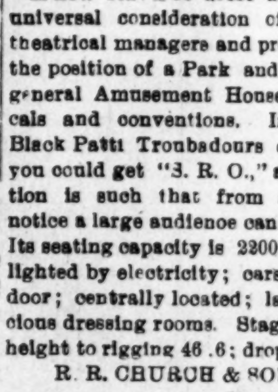

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The Freeman is on sale in Mineola Texas., at Sandy Anderson's. Call and secure a copy each week.

Booker T. Washington will have an article bearing upon the celebration of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the Tuskegee Institute in the North American Review for April.

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Last week the Philadelphia Tribune won in its libel suit which John Clinton filed against it for publishing an article which stated that Clinton was a shrewd faker.

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The Negroes in Georgia pay taxes on more than twenty millions of property, but they have no voice in naming the assessors, so says a Southern white daily.

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The supreme court of Kansas has decided that boards of education in cities of the second class have no right to separate Negro children from whites in public schools.

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Okalona, Miss, has more Negroes doing business in the main part of the town than any other place in the State. On the principal street there are colored men engaged in dry goods, groceries, tailors and restaurants.

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The mammoth blacksmith shop and machine shops of Dewmoine, Ill., near Marion, with all the improved machinery necessary, is under the control of William Primist, an Afro-American and a graduate of Booker Washington's school,

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A delegation of colored citizens called on President Roosevelt, last week, and presented resolutions asking him to put a stop to the outrages practiced upon the natives of the Congo Free State. The President promised to give their request attention.

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Mrs. Nina May Dupree, the Georgia woman, whose th oat was cut several weeks ago, and who told a harrowing story of how she was assaulted by a Negro, has confessed, according to a letter from her mother, that her wounds were self-imposed.

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The will of Paul Lawrence Dunbar, the poet, has been filed. With the exception of the widow's dower interest, the estate, valued at $2 000, is bequeathed to his mother. Valuable royalties on songs and writings are not included in the estimate, however.

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P. Logan is the name of an Afro-American at Okolana Miss., who has a hobby for real estate. He owns several store buildings, eighteen or twenty residences, a large plantation containing a section and a half, and now lives in a large house owned at one time by his former master.

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The Balfron Knitting Mills of Henderson, N. C., has replaced its white help with colored help. They now employ forty hands, thirty of them being girls. P. H. Brown, manager of the company, states that he could use a hundred, about seventy-five of the hundred to be females, and give them regular employment.

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Philip A. Payton, Jr., has commissioned the Burrelle Clipping Bureau to prepare a set of albums comprising all newspaper clippings regarding the recent death of Paul Lawrence Dunbar and his life work. These clippings will be posted in memorial albums of black seal leather and presented to Tuskegee Institute, where they will be placed in the library.

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The H. C. Haynes Razor Strop Company, of Chicago, Ill., will move in their new quarters at 3538 State street, on or about March 15 and will carry a full line of cutlery and barber's supplies. They will occupy a store 25x100 and will have the most modern equipped razor strop factory in the world, It is said that this is the only concern of its kind owned and controlled by Negroes. Their products are sold by the leading hardware stores and cutlery dealers in this country and Europe, and are in use by some of the best barbers in the United States. Mr. Haynes is one of the youngest members of the National Negro Business Men's League and read a very creditable paper at the last meeting at New York last August.

There is in Phillips Exeter Academy a young man whose ambition is a Harvard diploma. Louis C. Tyree, who, prior to June, 1904, was a student of the Manual Training High School at Indianapolis, Ind., but believing that he could make his way better in New England, went to Boston. Upon his arrival there he secured the only position open, that of porter in Wolfe Tavern, in New Buryport, a suburb of Boston. Here his studious demeanor

LOUIS C TYREE

attracted the attention of the habitues of the hotel, and little surprise was manifested when it became known that he had passed the entrance examinations for Exeter. During the vacations young Tyree works at the Tavern, where he is to be employed all next summer. By close application and hard work this boy means to make his way through two years at Exeter and four years at Harvard. By winning, in the December examinations, the Phillips scholarship of $100 and the Kingman scholarship of $80 Tyree has placed himself on a fair financial footing for the present term.

John L. Footslug.

As the time for base ball draws nigh there is every indication of a successful and enthusiastic season. Just now the idea of organizing a league among the colored ball teams of the North, South, East and west is being widely discussed among local base ball sports. The managers of the local teams of Cleveland, Chicago, Philadelphia. Cincinnati, Richmond, Ky., and Indianapolis are now completing arrangements for the coming season in base ball.

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Now Marvin Hart says he underestimated Burn's ability and did not train properly. He wants another chance at him, and agrees to stop him within twelve rounds or forfeit the entire purse.

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Will Bottoms, manager of the Indianapolis "Spit Ball" club, says that his line-up for the season of 1906 will compose some of the very best players Indiana affords. Bottoms is an old base ball player and one of the best ball tossers Kentucky ever produced.

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Wabash retained the State basketball championship by decisively beating Purdue Friday evening of last week, at Crawfordsville. Score 23 to 17.

McFadden After Joe Gans.

The quick shift among the holders of the welterweight title since the passing of Joe Walcott show plainly that none of the claimants who followed that worthy have had anything like his class with the exception of Joe Gans. None of the white men who claimed the title lasted long. Buddy Ryan, who heralded himself as the champion, after he knocked out Honey Melody in Chicago in November, 1904 lost to Jimmy Gardner last August. Gardner, however, did not hold the title long. He was beaten last November by Mike (Twin) Sullivan who in turn, let his laurels slip away to Joe Gans.

Joe Gans is a real welterweight champion, as long as he fights on the square

JOE GANS.

and, granting that he will, he should hold the title indefinitely. There is certainly no welterweight before the public who can match Gans for science, hitting power and generalship. He is 29 years old, and if he does not dissipate he is good for a great deal more fighting.

One of the most persistent trailers after the champion, Joe Gans, is Geo. "Elbows" McFadden, who says he has taken a new lease on strength and life generally, and still has his old punch with him.

They fought first in 1899 and Gans won in 25 rounds. They went over the same distance to a draw in the same year and a little later met again, and Joe was knocked out by "Elbows" in the 23d round. In 1902 they fought and no decision was given in either contest

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Kansas City Sporting Notes.

Fred Douglass, manager of the Vanoy Base Ball Team, says he will win out in a walk this season. Little Willie Haloway will be his "Star" short stop this season, including other crack players too numerous to mention.....Chick Pullman, manager of the Jenkins, must have something up his sleeve. We can't hear from him I guess he is loading his gun for the Chicago Unions for an opening game.

A MOMENT WITH THE "PRESS GANG."

M. M. Lewey, editor and publisher of the Florida Sentinel, has in course of preparation a special edition of The Sentinel for 1906. This edition will be printed on fine quality paper and profusely illustrated with cuts of the latest and handsomest buildings in the city, as well as views of the bay and shipping.

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Recorder John C. Dancy is preparing to commence active work upon his long- promised "Life and Character of Dr. J. C. Price." Mr. Dancy was one of the closest friends of the late Zion leader, and no one is better fitted by personal knowledge that he to record the valued services of that illustrious orator and scholar. He has an immense quantity of data on hand, accumulated through many years, and to get it into shape for the printer will require no small degree of editorial capacity, as well as time and patience. The public will warmly welcome the volume when it comes out.

Dr. C. H. Parrish, of Calvary Baptist church, Louisville, Ky., and president, of Eckstein-Norton University is busily engaged in compiling a book, descriptive of his travels in the Holy Land, his unique experiences in Rome, Berlin, Paris, London, and other notable points in Europe, and giving his personal impressions of King Edward, Pope Pius, Emperor William and distinguished churchmen of the Old Wordld, with pen pictures of leading Americans with whom he has come in contact during his long and varied carees as a minister and educator. Dr. Parrish is being ably assisted in the preparation of his book by Miss Julia S. Young, an expert stenographer and amanuensis of Maysville, Ky., who is herself a writer not unknown to fame.

The present officers of the Pen and Pencil Club at Washington are: Henry P. Slaughter, president; J. C. Burlls, vice-president; Arthur S. Gray, secretary, and James A. Cobb, treasurer. The Governing Board consists of Messrs L. G. Gregory, J. H. Paynter, W. L. Pollard, F. M. Simms and Joseph H. Stewart. The membership of the organization comprises the active newspaper men of the District of Columbia, and the correspondents of the leading race journals of the country at large.

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They overdo the thing.
That's jest the thing that makes me
sick,
An' quicker than a wink,
I set it down that them same folks
Ain't half so good's you think.
—Paul Laurence Dunbar.

Referring to the long experience of the late Sir Francis Burnand as editor of the once very humorous London Punch, the Indianapolis Star accounts for the melancholy slump of that famous journal with the reflection that no man can possibly be funny for forty-four years. The Star scribe evidently has never met one Rev. J.'Albert Johnson, who used to be pastor of a church in Washington. J'Albert is more than forty-four years old, and gets funnier every day.

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Bishop Turner ought to move out of America, if he feels that way. We are going to stay, and do our level best to make the old flag stand for what we think the fathers meant it to mean.

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They are awake in Washington to the evil of alley houses, and steps are bring about better conditions of life bring obaut better conditions of life for the poor. Houses said to be unfit for habitation will be investigated, and descriptions of improvements needed will be made to the owners or agents of such houses. If the proper changes are not made, as demanded by sanitary and common decency, the authorities will be notified with a view of having them condemned and torn down. The situation is critical; and the public health should be protected, even if drastic measures must be resorted to in order to accomplish that end.

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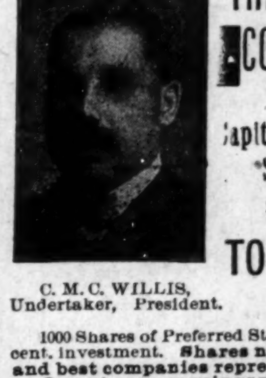

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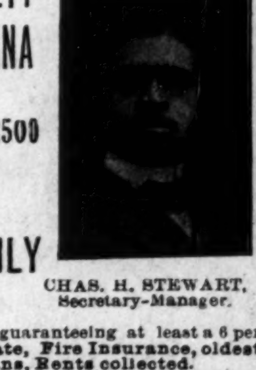

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Daniel David Hunter, for over ten years foreman of The Freeman composing department, died Friday March 2, at midnight of Bright's disease, after being confined to his bed for only five days. Mr. Hunter had been complaining of ill health for some months bu did not become critically ill until Monday morning February 26, while at his work and was taken to his home in a carriage.

Mr. Hunter was a printer of much reputation. He learned his trade as an apprentice on the Shelbyville Republican, and worked on such papers as the Michigan City Times, Lafayette Call, Richmond Palladium, The Franklin Banner. Lebanon Patriot, American

MR DANIEL DAVID HUNTER

Baptist, Lexington Standard, The World and The Freeman during the twenty-five years he worked as printer. He received his edubation in the pub lic schools of this city, where he had made his home the greater part of his life. Mr. Hunter was a staunch member of Allen Chapel A. M. E. church; organizer and director of the Junior choir and was superintendent of the Sundayschool for several years.

Mr. Hunter was forty-seven years old and was widely known in church newspaper circles. The funeral services were held at Allen Chapel last Monday afternoon, conducted by Rev. Sampson. A wife, father, several brothers and other relatives survive him

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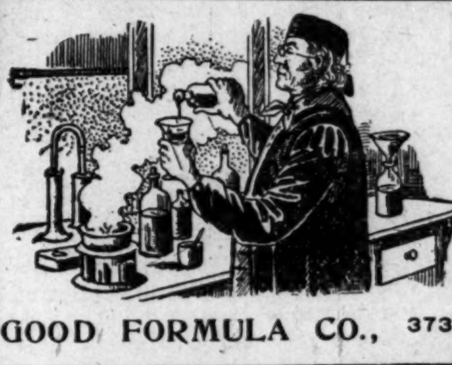

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DIVORCE LEGAL.

Susan Sanborn vs Charles Sanborn | State of Indiana, Marion Co., ss: in the Superior Court of Marion county In the State of Indiana. No. 70973 Complaint Divorce.

BE IT KNOWN, That on the 7th day of March 1906, the above named plaintiff, by her attorney, filed in the office of the clerk of the superior court of Marion county, in the State of Indiana, her complaint against the above named defendant Charles Sanborn and the said plaintiff having also filed in said clerk's office the affidavit of a competent person, showing that said defendant Charles Sanborn is not a resident of the State of Indiana and said cause is for divorce and that the above namded defendant is a necessary party thereto and whereas said plaintiff having by endorsement on said complaint required said defendant to appear in said court, and answer or demur thereto on the 7th day of May, 1906.

NOW, THEREFORE, By order of said court, said defendant last above named is hereby notified of the filing and pendency of said complaint against him and that unless he appear and answer or demur thereto, at the calling of said cause on the 7th day of Ma , 1906, the same being the first judicial day of a term of said court, to be begun and held at the court house in the city of Indianapolis, on the 1st Monday in May, 1906 said complaint and the matters and things therein contained and alleged will be heard and determined in his absence.

WM. E. DAVIS, Clerk

M; B. GOODING, Attorney for Plaintiff.

POLITICAL NOTES

For Assessor of Marion county Albert A Womack, Subject to decision of Republican convention.

For Sherriff of Marion county Ed G. Sourbier, subject to the decision of the Republican convention.

Fred C. Gardner, candidate for treasurer of Marion county, subject to the Republican Nominating convention

For Clerk of Marion County, Leonard M. Quill, Subject to decision of Republican Nominating Convention, March 31.

For Surveyor of Marion County, Henry W. Klausman. Subject to decision of Nominating Conventien, March 31.

MORGANTOWN, VA.

The White Cross Club gave a fine entertainment in Hunter Hall March 1. There was a large attendance and the evening was enjoyed by all. The proceeds are for the benefit of the new A. M. E. church, Rev. J. A. Patterson, pastor.—Mrs. J. A. Patterson is visiting her parents and friends.—J. H Lewis will spend Sunday at Clarksburg W, Va.—Mrs. J. I. Wright has moved to the West Side wite Mrs. Hannah Hamilton.—Miss Eva Brown has returned to school.

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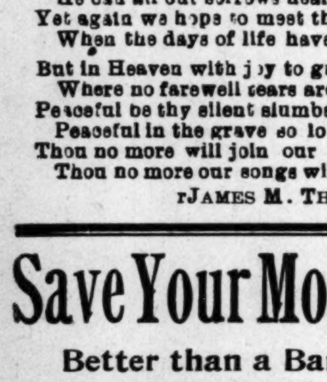

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